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**In re U.S. Patent Application of**

**NAGASAKA *et al.***

**Application Number: 10/026,711**

**Filed: December 27, 2001**

**For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CHARACTER  
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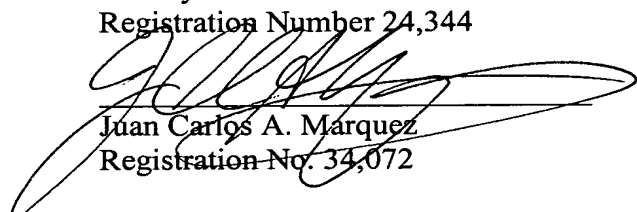
In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

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| [ x ] Response to Office Action<br>(with Claim Amendments) | [ ] Petition for Extension of Time                                 |
| [ ] Substitute Specification                               | [ ] Terminal Disclaimer  |
| [ ] Preliminary Amendment                                  | [ ] Letter to Draftsperson w/ __ sheets of<br>replacement drawings |
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2005, the period for response to which is set to expire on January 31, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: